APPLICANT(S):

HERSHKOVITS, Yehuda et al

SERIAL NO.:

09/986,452

FILED:

11/08/2001

Page 2

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please add or amend the claims to read as follows, and cancel without prejudice or disclaimer to resubmission in a divisional or continuation application claims indicated as cancelled:

1-28. (Canceled)

29. (Currently Amended) A method of transferring telecommunication transmissions comprising:

using a PCI bus connector to establish a connection between a <u>first</u> rear I/O card and a second front card or <u>second</u> rear card, upon receiving a failure indication associated with a first front card connected via a through connection to said <u>first</u> rear card [when no failure indication is received].

30. (Cancelled) [A method of transferring telecommunication transmissions comprising:

connecting a rear I/O card to a set of backplane traces associated with a PCI bus of said backplane upon receiving a failure indication associated with a front card connected via a through connection to said rear card when no failure indication is received.]

31. (Currently Amended) A method of transferring telecommunication transmissions comprising:

allocating at least a portion of a PCI bus for communications between a rear card and a backup front or <u>backup</u> rear card upon receiving a failure indication associated with a front card connected via a through connection to said rear card [when no failure indication is received].

APPLICANT(S):

HERSHKOVITS, Yehuda et al.

SERIAL NO .:

09/986,452

FILED:

11/08/2001

Page 3

32. (Currently Amended) A rear card of a device for transferring telecommunication transmissions, comprising:

an isolation relay adapted to route incoming signals from a rear card to a backup front or <u>backup</u> rear card through at least a portion of a PCI bus upon receiving a failure indication associated with a backup card currently connected via a through connection to said rear card [when no failure indication is received].

33. (Currently Amended) A device for transferring telecommunication transmissions, comprising:

a control circuit, which upon receiving an indication signal associated with a first front card currently connected via a through connection to a rear card [when no failure indication is received] is adapted to redirect communications from said rear card to a second front card or a second rear card over at least a portion of a PCI bus.

34. (Previously Presented) A device according to claim 33, wherein the indication is received over at least a portion of said PCI bus.

APPLICANT(S):

HERSHKOVITS, Yehuda et al.

SERIAL NO.:

09/986,452

FILED:

11/08/2001

Page 4

Please add the following new claim:

35. (New) A method of transferring telecommunication transmissions comprising: using a PCI bus connector to select an alternative route between a first rear card and a redundant front card, directly or via a second rear card, using 'buss connections' and/or 'through connections' along said alternative route.

Respectfully submitted,

Vladimir Sherman

Attorney for Applicant(s) Registration No. 43,116

Dated: June 04, 2006 Eitan Law Group C/O Landon IP, Inc. 1700 Diagonal Road, Suite 450

Alexandria, Virginia 22314 USA

Tel/Fax: (212) 658-9933